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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
AND INTERFERENCES

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Ex parte TAKANOBU KAMAKURA

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Appeal No. 1999-1627  
Application 08/578,980<sup>1</sup>

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ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

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On May 4, 1999, applicant filed a timely Reply Brief and Request for Oral Hearing(Paper Nos. 23 and 24). The record does not contain a response from the Examiner stating whether the Reply Brief has been entered, and if entered, what effect the Reply Brief has on the pending rejections. See Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, § 1208.03.

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<sup>1</sup> Application for patent filed December 27, 1995.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for consideration of the Reply Brief and for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal.

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